IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 5-17 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A An isolated stretchable collagen material having a breaking elongation of at least 150%.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material according to claim 1, wherein the collagen is derived from fish.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material according to claim 1, wherein the collagen is cross-linked by using a cross-linking agent.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material according to claim 3, wherein the cross-linking agent is a water-soluble carbodiimide.
 - 5-17. (Cancelled).
- 18. (Currently Amended) A cell carrier comprising the <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material <u>mentioned in of</u> claim 1.
- 19. (Currently Amended) A basic material for artificial blood vessel comprising the <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material mentioned in of claim 1.
- 20. (Currently Amended) Collagen used for a subcutaneous implant in cosmetic surgery, comprising the <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material described in of claim 1.

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- 21. (Currently Amended) A basic material for artificial tendon, comprising the <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material <u>described in of</u> claim 1.
- 22. (Currently Amended) An artificial dura matter, comprising the <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material <u>described in of</u> claim 1.
- 23. (Currently Amended) A medical material comprising the <u>isolated</u> stretchable collagen material <u>mentioned in of</u> claim 1.